

Time limit.
Notice by appellant,
etc.

the same is taken within fifteen days after the entry of the decree: *And provided further*, That within twenty days after such entry the appellant shall give notice of the appeal to the appellee or appellees; but the taking of such appeal shall not stay proceedings under the interlocutory decree unless otherwise ordered by the district court upon such terms as shall seem just.

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CHAP. 103.—An Act To amend section 65 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a Code of Law for the District of Columbia," approved March 3, 1901, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

District of Columbia
Code.
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Supreme court.
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Adoption of rules of
pleading, practice, and
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heard.
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ments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 65 of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia be, and the same hereby is, amended so as to read as follows:

"**SEC. 65.** The general term of said court shall be open at all times for the transaction of business; and said court, by orders passed in general term, may regulate the periods of holding the special terms, fix the number of said terms, and alter the same from time to time, as public convenience may require; may direct as many terms of any of the special terms to be held at the same time as the public business may make necessary; may assign the several justices from time to time to the respective special terms; may establish written rules regulating pleading, practice and procedure, and by said rules make such modifications in the forms of pleading and methods of practice and procedure prescribed by existing law as may be deemed necessary or desirable to render more simple, effective, inexpensive, and expeditious the remedy in all suits, actions, and proceedings: *Provided*, That said rules shall not become effective until thirty days after the date when they are adopted and spread upon the minutes of the said general term: *And provided further*, That said court in general term shall not have power to make or establish rules regulating pleading, practice or procedure in equity which are inconsistent with the rules in equity heretofore or hereafter adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; may appoint a clerk and in the event of a vacancy in the office of clerk may designate one of the assistant clerks to act as clerk of the court until the vacancy shall have been filled, provided that if such vacancy occurs in vacation, such designation may be made by the Chief Justice if in the District of Columbia or in his absence by the senior Associate Justice of said court then in said District. Said court in general term may appoint an auditor and also a crier and a messenger for each court in special term and all other officers of the court necessary for the due administration of justice, with the exception of all officers and employees in any manner connected with the probate term, and also United States Commissioners; may hear charges of misconduct against any judge of the municipal court and remove him from office for cause shown; may admit persons to the bar of said court and censure, suspend, or expel them; and may pass all other orders not inconsistent with existing laws which may be necessary to the effective administration of justice in said court, but shall not hear any cause in general term: *Provided*, That the general term may assign more than one justice to a special term for the trial of a given case."

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